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Summer Lab School

The Education Committee voted to hold just one Lab School this summer, and it will be held at Bend, July 9-15. The staff will be announced later. As you know a Lab School is where student teachers observe teaching methods put into practice. Very successful schools have been held the last few years and the churches where such schools have been held, and the teachers who have attended have made marked progress. The registration fee is $5.00 for the week. Very little help is gained unless those attending remain for the week. It would be like hearing just five minutes of a thirty minute sermon. —C.H.A.

Another Girl's Camp

With the opening of the camp at Cove, June 18-24, a third camp for junior age girls will be available in 1950. Mrs. Joe Jewett will be the dean of the Cove camp and a capable corps of teachers is being recruited. Girls of 10 and 11 will be eligible to attend the Cove camp and as in last year's camps for boys and girls promotion into the 5th grade in public school will admit those who may be a bit under 10 at the time of camp.

The Turner girls' camp will be held July 16-22 with the same age rule as planned for Cove. Information regarding the Wi-Ne-Ma girls' camp may be had by writing to Mr. Wm. F. Morse, Box 75, Amity, Oregon. —E.P.D.

Financial Support For State Missions

At the Turner Convention last summer it was voted to accept the recommendation to strive for one dollar per member for State Missions. Some of the churches have taken this seriously, for to date the following churches have already given up to one dollar per member: North Bend, Milwaukie, Milton and Tillamook. The new Southeast Church has voted to give one dollar per member as their goal. Many other congregations are coming along fine with their support. Let us see how many 100% churches we can have by May 31 when our books close for this missionary year. We must close our books then in order that we can get our annual report ready for convention. —C.H.A.

Okinawa Council Meets

Emeline and Harlan Woodruff

The Advisory Council of the Okinawa Christian Mission met at the Multnomah Hotel, in Portland, February 7th, 1950. The business meeting followed a 1 o'clock luncheon, which was attended by the wives of several of the members. Council members present were Leo Woodruff, Frank Cunningham, Ernest Chamberlain, Ed. Dewees, Harry Baird and Mrs. Eldon Fendall. Travel expenses were pooled, so that each shared alike in the cost of the meeting.

A Quarterly Report from the Woodruffs, missionaries on the field for the last quarter in 1949 included the following: 17 baptisms; studding and rafters up on the church building; Christmas programs in 5 villages; 508 children in attendance at Nago Bible School Christmas morning; Christian Young People prepared and presented Christmas program on Christmas night; White Gift offering of 150 pounds of rice for lepers; and 120 Bible class sessions.

The Advisory Council of the Okinawa Christian Mission consists of Chaplain Frank Gosser, Chairman; Leo Woodruff, Vice-Chairman; Wilma Fendall, Secretary; Frank Cunningham representing Harlan Woodruff's Living-Link church - Newberg, Oregon; Ernest Chamberlain, representing Emeline Woodruff's Living-Link church - West Seattle Christian Church, Seattle, Washington; Ed Dewees, Portland, Oregon, and Harry Baird, Walla Walla, Washington.

The functions of the Advisory Council are just what is suggested by the name: to council together, and with the missionaries in Okinawa, relative to the carrying on of the work on the field, promotion of interest and support of the Okinawa work among the brethren at home, consideration of possible recruits for the Okinawa field and promotion of support for the same. In short, to be an active and helpful tie between the missionaries in Okinawa and their brethren in America. —J. Frank Cunningham.

Attention Churches

We urge all churches of the state to file an Exemption Affidavit with the Treasury Department. Use Form 1023 which can be obtained from the Customs House in Portland, or from our office. People who claim deductions from their income tax might be questioned if the church has not filed this exemption form. Since we are a congregational type of church government our State Missionary Convention cannot do it for you. We urge you to look after this at once. —C.H.A.

Are Our Faces *Red?*

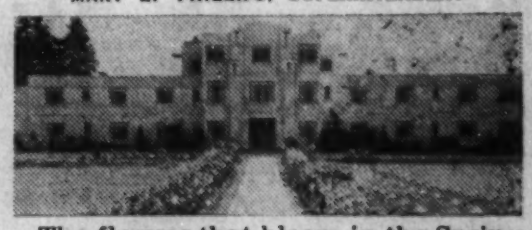
As you know we have been announcing and planning for our 100th Convention this year. It seems that somewhere back a few years ago an error was made in printing the convention program, so this is only the 98th convention. We owe our thanks to Kenneth Johnston, our promotional chairman for convention attendance, who discovered the error in our records. No doubt you have often wished you could go back and live your life over again; we are providing you this opportunity to attend the 98th and 99th Turner Conventions over again. This will not change our program very much and will give us more time to plan a real celebration in 1952. —C.H.A.

NEW YEAR BOOK FOR SALE

We have received 12 copies of the 1949 Year Book on consignment, so if you would like to buy one here rather than sending to the National office you may do so. They sell for $2.00 per copy. —C.H.A.

Northwest Christian Home

MARY E. PHILLIPS, SUPERINTENDENT



The flowers that bloom in the Spring are among the first to appear in the gardens at the Home. No sooner had the snow disappeared than the crocuses began to open up in various shades of color. These will be followed by others in their time. However, our gardner, Victor Yaun, reports severe damage to some shrubs and the rose bushes have been cut back with the hope that they will come out from the roots.

Ray C. Smith

Mrs. Maura Talmage has returned from a visit of two weeks in Amity with her children. Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Keller have been ill and confined to their rooms. A word of appreciation should be spoken for the fine service rendered the family by Drs. C. E. and H. E. Mason of Beaverton, who seem to be much concerned about our welfare.

Miss Phillips and Ray Smith both attended the annual Staff conference at St. Louis and enjoyed visits with Mrs. Hill and Walter Myers. Miss Phillips stayed overnight with Mrs. Hill at Lenoir Memorial Home in Columbia, Missouri and returned with

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Miss Velva Dreese

New Plan Discussed For Women's Work

Approximately 120 women, ministers' wives and missionary organization presidents' representing 40 churches in widely separated sections of Oregon, met at the Mallory Avenue church in Portland on February 16-17 to study and discuss Christian Women's Fellowship, a proposed new plan of women's work to be put into operation July 1, 1950. Miss Velva Dreese, National Director of Adult work in the Department of Missionary Organizations, was the guest speaker and resource leader.

On Thursday afternoon, February 16, an open State Board meeting of the women was held with the visiting women as guests. Regular business including reports from Board members was conducted with the State President, Mrs. Ola Smith of Portland presiding. At 6:30 a banquet featuring a typical Japanese menu, was served by the women of the host church. The tables were appropriately decorated. A fun and fellowship hour followed the banquet. Mrs. Virgil Davis, assisted by Joan Woods and Ruth Huntington of the Mallory church directed the games. All dignity was put aside and everybody had a good time. Before separating for the night, the women quietly made their way to the lovely new chapel where Mrs. Carol Capps state Spiritual Life Chairman, conducted a most impressive worship service.

At 9:00 o'clock Friday morning, the women assembled in the sanctuary for another devotional service under the leadership of Mrs. Capps. "How Beautiful upon the Mountains," was sung as a duet by Mrs. Willa Griffeth and Mrs. Jean Calef. The remainder of the day was spent in the presentation and discussion of Christian Women's Fellowship by Miss Dreese. (Discussion followed the presentation.) This new proposed plan of work for the women is similar to that of the Council in which many of the women are working at the present time. The plan of organization is suited to even the smallest society; it can be expanded to fit the largest organization. It has for its purpose as stated in the preamble of the constitution, the "development of all women in Christian living and Christian service." A closer correlation of various types of women's work in the church, is possible under this proposed plan. It is hoped

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The State Secretary-Director's Diary

I was out of the state 18 days during the month of February, attending national meetings. Complying with a recommendation from the last International Convention, Gaines Cook called a meeting of all types of organizations, known as the Council of Agencies, to meet in Indianapolis on February 6-8. The purpose of this meeting was to make plans to carry on in the life of the churches the renewed spiritual life, evangelistic zeal, Bible School attendance, tithing emphasis and a better standard of Christian life gained through the Crusade. It was a good meeting. This was followed, from the evening of the 8th through the afternoon of the 11th, by an educational conference on summer work including, Lab Schools, Intermediate, young people, adult and family camps. Then it was my privilege to attend the annual meeting of the International Council of Religious Education in Columbus, Ohio, February 12-15. This was a very interesting and worthwhile experience.

Wm. Siefke and I attended a conference in St. Louis, Missouri, February 17 and 18 on student pastors and rural church. While in Indianapolis I attended an Oregon Club luncheon at Butler and met several of the fellows from Oregon. I visited in the home of Jess Johnson and visited the church at Michigantown, Indiana where Loren Arnett preaches. My work in the state consisted of a visit and conferences in Junction City and Eugene, a Conference party at Albany, and Education, Convention Program and Youth Committee meetings in Salem. I preached at Seaside and held a conference with the board. Spent 5 days in the office and had five office conferences. I traveled 6,363 miles during the month. There were 320 letters mailed from the office.

Mr. L. H. Moon

Mr. L. H. Moon, age 78, passed to the greater life, at his home in Freewater, on January 26, after a brief illness.

Brother Moon had been an active member of the First Christian Church of Milton, for the past 37 years, and at the time of his death was an honorary elder. He is survived by his wife, Sarah, three daughters, and one son, Carl Moon, the Vice-President of the State Ninety and Nine Men.

Joe Jewett of Baker, a former pastor here, assisted by Russell Myers, conducted the funeral services on Monday, January 30.

Indian Mission Workers Busy

News letters from John Runyan, Superintendent of McKinley Indian Mission, near Toppenish, Washington, and from Ruth Worsdell, R. N., with the same mission, indicate that all the workers there are very busy about the Lord's Work.

The mission workers are listed by Brother Ryan as follows: "Ella Hadley is in charge of all Bible School work. This includes DVBS. Ruth Worsdell and Glenora Chesnut are both R. N's. and are in charge of all medical work. Norma Norris, who just recently returned to Lincoln Bible Institute, Shirley Campbell and Betty Armstrong are teachers of the Bible. Mrs. Clark is in charge of music for the mission services as well as overseer of the used clothing department. Mrs. Runyan is in charge of the kitchen and house as well as helping in all departments. All do their part in visitation and personal work."

The various members of the mission force use their cars, not only in their calling and traveling to outstations, but in bringing people to the services. They gather people, who could not otherwise attend, up on four different routes. The gas and oil bill is said to amount to about $80.00 a month.

The purpose of all the work, is of course, primarily evangelistic, and fruits are in evidence. Attendance at the Sunday morning services, alone, is said to exceed one hundred. Evangelistic results in the way of baptisms are listed as follows: From the beginning of the work to January, 1948, 17 baptisms; During 1948, 15; during 1949, 17; and 3 adult baptisms during January of this year. —J. F. C.

Dates To Remember

Youth Planning Commission First Church, Eugene, March 31 to April 1.

Northwest Preacher's Parliament, Eugene, April 25-27.

Religious Education Practicum Northwest Christian College, April 29-May 30.

State Christian Endeavor Convention, Portland, April 27-30.

District Conventions:
- Central Oregon, Powell Butte, April 30.
- East Oregon, Baker, May 2-3.
- Mid-Columbia, Valley Christian Hood River, May 7.
- Lane County, May 8 or 15?
- Willamette, Dallas, May 9.
- Northwest, Gladstone, May 12.
- Coos and Douglas Counties, May 17.
- Southern Oregon, Grants Pass, May 19.

Northwest Christian College Commencement Week, June 4-6.

East Oregon Girls' Camp, June 18-24.

State Convention, Turner, June 26-July 2.

West Oregon Young People's Conference, Turner, July 2-9.

Turner Pioneer Camp for Intermediate age, July 9-16.

State Lab School, Bend, July 9-15.

Rural Life Conference, Corvallis, July 11-15.

Turner Girls' Camp, July 16-22.

East Oregon Adult Conference, Cove, July 17-22.

Turner Boys' Camp, July 23-29.

East Oregon Pioneer Camp for Intermediate age, Cove, July 23-30.

East Oregon Young People's Conference, Cove, July 30-August 5.

Crescent Lake Boys Camp, July 30-August 5.

Wi-Ne-Ma Boys' Camp, July 30-August 5.

Eastern Oregon Boys' Camp Cove, August 6-12.

Southern Oregon, Oregon Caves Young Peoples' Conference and Pioneer Camp at Grayback, August 6-12.

Southern Oregon Boys' Camp, Grayback, August 13-19.

Mrs. Grace Hendricks

Mrs. Kenneth Hendricks, Tokyo missionary on furlough, who for a number of years during the depression was state president of the Oregon Missionary women's work, spent January and February visiting and speaking for the churches of Oregon and South Idaho. For the first two weeks of March she was in California. Her messages, up to the minute, on conditions in Japan, and the unprecedented opportunities for Christian service, should stir the churches to greater effort in order to strike while the iron is hot. "The time is now; tomorrow may be too late." — E.L.B.

Acting President

Miss Jessie Trout, National Executive Secretary of Women's missionary organizations and guest speaker for the women in the 1949 state convention at Turner, is for a period of two months, serving as president of the United Christian Missionary Society. It was necessary for President McCormick and Virgil Sly to make a trip to the Orient to visit our stations in Japan and the Phillipines, and to confer with the churches. The women should feel proud that one from among us is thus honored. Miss Trout was elected Vice-President of the United Christian Missionary Society at the international Convention held in Cincinnati last October. She succeeded Mrs. R. A. Doan who had reached the age of retirement. Mrs. Doan was a guest in the Turner convention in 1948, when she endeared herself to the women by her wonderful Christian spirit. —E.L.B.

Creswell Host Church

The district rally of the McKenzie Ninety and Nine Men was held at Creswell on Sunday, February 19, with 67 present. The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p. m. and R. T. Burnett, secretary, led the song service with L. G. Hulen accompanying. P. W. Kinnaman of Creswell gave the devotional thought followed by prayer led by L. J. Quigley.

President Ed Crook called the business meeting to order and gave a report on the work of the district executive committee with some recommendations regarding the plans for the work. A roll call revealed men present from nine churches and some good reports were made by each group. The state report was made by Ed Dewees along with announcements concerning the special meetings for men at the Salem Court Street Church on March 3 and 4.

Numbers by the N.C.C. male quartet added much to the program and gave a fitting introduction to the message by Medford Jones on "Evangelism in Retrospect and Prospect." After the message, discussion groups on the work of the church officers and on personal evangelism were led by Dr. Carroll Roberts and Ed Eldridge, respectively. A number of men then remained for refreshments followed by the regular evening service in which the male quartet of the Eugene First Church sang two numbers. A baptismal service preceded the evening message on "Sharing" by Dr. J. Eric Carlson of the N.B.A. —E. P. D:

Dallas and Leeanna Meserve

Heralds Of Christ

With the coming of warmer weather Dallas and Leeanna Meserve enjoyed a very busy month in February. Despite the sub-zero temperatures in the beginning of the Athena meeting there was a fine response with six additions by primary obedience. From Athena they moved to Nyssa for a short meeting there during which a new record by Bible school attendance was set on February 19 with 188 present. (February 26, attendance was 170, proving the school and church really means business).

There were 10 responses in the Nyssa revival — 3 by primary obedience and 7 by transfer of membership. Dallas reports that Don Maxfield's new car got a real workout as they carried on a vigorous calling campaign. Just to keep the evangelistic team in good trim, the Inter-Valley District officers arranged a rally at Wallowa on February 27 at which 43 were present to hear Leeanna sing and Dallas preach. A conflict in programs had prevented their attending the February 6 rally at Baker. Also, arrangements were completed with the Enterprise Church for a meeting from May 28 - June 11, immediately preceding the new Cove Girl's Camp in which they will serve.

Their March schedule includes the meeting at Detroit closing on the 19th and the Junction City meeting beginning March 26 and continuing thru April 16. Sisters follows with the dates being April 23 - May 14. —E.P.D.

ONLY ONE DOLLAR OUT OF TEN! HOW COULD A PERSON BE SMALL ENOUGH—UNGRATEFUL ENOUGH—TO RETAIN LESS TO THE GOD WHO GIVES US EVERY GOOD THING WE POSSESS?

"GIVING THE LORD HIS DUE"
SENSIBLE STEWARDSHIP

Crusade News

A Guide For Youth

— RNS Photo

Our churches in the Takhatpur area accepted Crusade goals. A number of people have started tithing. As their incomes are small, it does not mean such large amounts of money but it does mean consecration. In one village church, little earthen jars were provided each family, and as they took out the rice to cook each day a portion went into them for the Lord.

Ethel Shreve, Disciples of Christ Missionary, Takhatpur, India.

Crusade Funds Supply Bibles All Over The World

Disciples of Christ with their appreciation of Christian scriptures, find unusual satisfaction in the share they have had in augmenting the budget of the American Bible Society in supplying the unprecedented demand for Bibles in all parts of the world since World War II.

9,716,251 copies were distributed in 1948.

The Bible takes a unique place in missionary advance. It can go where missionaries cannot go and remain there when the missionary moves out.

To answer the calls for Bibles in 1950 requires a budget, regular and emergency, of $3,296,914.

M. Oliver Beguin, associate secretary of the United Bible Society, says, "The Bible is at the center of church life in Europe as never before. People are interested in the Scriptures. In Germany groups of young people meet weekly in colleges for discussion and study of the Bible, and this practice is prevalent throughout Europe."

Crusade funds have helped in this great work.

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A Lamp For Old Age

— RNS Photo

Let us recall once more the work of Dr. Laubach in Mindanao. His sole aim was to teach the people about Christianity. He wanted to help the people understand the Bible, so he thought of teaching them how to read and write. Dr. Laubach had the love and patience that made him succeed in spite of these people being a warlike tribe.

—Rosalina D. Calimlin, graduate of United Christian Training School, Vigan, the Philippines

— RNS Photo

Because of the ministerial shortage in Eastern Germany, the Evangelical Church is using this "Gospel Wagon." It serves as church and living quarters for a minister and organist. They visit villages where there are no churches, staying about a week in each place. Crusade funds have aided in rebuilding the spiritual life in Germany.

The Third Year Crusade The Last Year
FOR A CHRISTIAN WORLD

Kenneth Johnston, Director

The State Chairman Speaks

Crusade for Death

On Friday morning, February 24, I stood on the station platform in Salem watching the new streamliner, Shasta Daylight, as it pulled out for San Francisco. I was reminded of other occasions on the same road just a few years back. In those other days railway stations and trains were crowded; so crowded that many passengers could not get aboard. They were not only crowded; they were dirty. There was disorder and confusion; the confusion born out of war. In fact, the whole thing bore testimony of a mighty Crusade; a Crusade for death. Car after car filled with young men in uniform; our special messengers to Berlin and Tokyo. What a contrast this picture, with that of February 24, 1950.

Another Crusade

This scene spoke eloquently of peace and order. The station and train were clean. There was no crowding, no confusion; and there was one very special passenger, our missionary, Mrs. Grace Hendricks, to Japan. In her I saw symbolized another kind of Crusade. This time not a Crusade of war, not a mission of violence or revenge; but a mission of love and peace; the kind of Crusade that would result in a Christian world.

Crusade for Life

Once again there are many indications pointing to war. It seems that God has appointed us a brief time in which we of the Christian world may have opportunity to decide which it shall be: a Crusade for war, death and no world, or a Crusade for peace, life and a Christian world. Surely each one of us who wears the name of Christ will be motivated to give unsparingly for the cause of Christ. May we take seriously our Crusade, and may it not be said of us by future generations that the Christians of Oregon failed in their hour of opportunity. Let each of us be a Crusader for a Christian world.

"NOW is the HOUR"

NEVER AGAIN WILL YOU HAVE AS MUCH TIME TO

Crusade for a Christian World

Crusading

The following list shows the Oregon Churches and their contributions to

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as reported February 15, 1950. Doubtless many churches have contributed since that report was filed.

Albany	$ 1,637.08
Ashland	99.86
Astoria	116.14
Bend	447.80
Brownsville	82.25
Burns	(Exceeded their goal)
Canby	400.00
Coburg	256.84
Coquille	377.98
Corvallis	5,612.43
Crabtree	97.00
Creswell	269.89
Culver	10.76
Dallas	3,812.37
Dufur	120.00
Estacada	27.00
Eugene, Fairmont	413.26
Eugene, First	12,261.19
Fall Creek	176.16
Falls City	60.50
Forest Grove	737.50
Florence	120.00
Franklin	95.10
Gladstone	142.73
Goshen	102.97
Grants Pass	2,875.59
Harrisburg	1,907.00
Heppner	42.76
Hermiston	702.41
Hillsboro	198.91
Hood River	100.31
Hood River Valley	128.86
Jefferson	90.00
Junction City	549.20
Klamath Falls	703.00
LaGrande	512.29
Lebanon	674.21
McKenzie Bridge	153.00
McMinnville	1,499.71
Madras	50.00
Medford, First	4,020.71
Milton	206.14
Milwaukie	48.90
Molalla	44.55
Monmouth	10.00
Multnomah	100.00
Newport	1.00
North Bend	171.00
North Plains	80.71
Nyssa	102.27
Oakridge	58.72
Ontario	191.16
Oregon City	16.82
Pendleton	3,664.96
Pleasant Hill	469.40
Portland, Englewood	272.18
Portland, First	16,915.82
Portland, Kern Park	1,369.03
Portland, Mallory Ave.	2,734.78
Portland, Park Rose	108.07
Portland, St. Johns	194.64
Portland, Sellwood	213.60
Powell Butte	71.10
Redmond	109.12
Rockaway	23.02
Roseburg	2,126.35
Salem, Court St.	974.99
Salem, First	3,915.28
St. Helens	255.39
Scio	30.62
Silverton	1,427.12
Sisters	202.04
Springfield	611.46
The Dalles	289.68
Tillamook	876.59
Turner	9.75
Vernonia	140.24
Wallowa	166.25
Walton	50.00
Wasco	9.00
Yamhill	179.40
Zion	9.00

As of this date the total contributions read $81,728.22.

GEORGE OLIVER TAYLOR

"My nine days in Oregon have been a real pleasure. I carry away with me the impression that the Oregon people enjoy a wonderful climate (I needn't have brought those rubbers!) and are most hospitable. But most of all, I find that our Oregon churches are deeply concerned about the Kingdom of God. I am confident that on March 12 they will do their part in reaching the brotherhood goal of $1,500,000.00 offering for the Week of Compassion."

If the Crusade begins in Me ...It really begins

If the Crusade ends in Me .....It ends

Special Crusade Work

The Crusade and Week of Compassion among our Oregon churches was greatly benefited through the special services of George Oliver Taylor and Eric Carlson. Mr. Taylor and Mr. Carlson gave one week each to our Oregon churches. They contacted the following churches:

Mr. Taylor:

Englewood (Portland), Forest Grove, St. Helens, Mallory Avenue, (Portland), Sellwood (Portland), The Dalles, Hood River, Albany, Corvallis, Junction City, Hillsboro.

Mr. Carlson:

Spent five days with the student preachers at Northwest Christian College, and visited Mallory Avenue (Portland), Lebanon, and Creswell.

On January 19 our new church at Burns, Oregon, held a Crusade dinner and special meeting with Ray Smith, speaker. In this one evening they raised more than enough money to exceed their Crusade financial goal. This is indeed a demonstration of the Crusade spirit, because the Burns church still meets in the basement. There is much to do before their superstructure will be completed. They have all the problems that face any congregation but with the kind of spirit, enthusiasm and vision for world-wide service that is theirs we predict that we shall continue to hear great things from this Crusading church as they serve Christ under the leadership of their able pastor, Earl Soward.

Ross J. Griffeth

"The Race Before Us"

"The Race Before Us" is the theme of the 98th Oregon Christian Missionary Convention. Pointing up the theme is the Convention Scripture, Hebrews 11:39—12:2. There will be some looking back but much more looking to the race before us.

It will be a great New Testament preaching and teaching convention. The Program Committee, representing every activity of statewide interest, has given and will continue to give the most careful attention to making this an occasion for deepening the spiritual life, engendering enthusiasm for meeting the evangelistic opportunity which is ours, and re-emphasizing the profound doctrines as revealed in the New Testament.

Class periods, scheduled much as usual during morning hours, will provide significant study values for all. One class is to consider such great Bible doctrines as: God, Christ, the Holy Spirit, the Church, Salvation, Eternal Life, Steadfast Christian Living. For the Bible School Superintendent, the teacher and departmental director, there will be a class on "Administering a Christian Educational Program." Other classes will give attention to the problems pastors face, the work of the women in the church, children's work and home evangelization, and the minister and the children. In each case an outstanding teacher will guide the class.

At 9:25 each morning there will be a Gospel sermon on a New Testament theme, with a different preacher each day. These sermons will emphasize such areas as Evangelism, Christian Citizenship, Christian Unity, Christian Stewardship, Spiritual Development. Some of those to bring messages are C. F. Swander, Dudley Strain, Harold Lyman, Ward Rice.

Just before the dinner hour the guest speaker will give a series of sermons with an emphasis on New Testament teachings as they may be seen through the convention theme, "The Race Bofore Us."

The afternoon periods will provide for conferences and discussions as well as for necessary business sessions. Two discussion periods which give promise of developing intense interest are to be on "Baptist-Disciple Relationships" and consideration of the report of the "Commission to Restudy" our position and plea.

Varying from the usual custom for night services, Oregon preachers will bring the night messages instead of the visiting speaker. Detailed announcements will be given later concerning these messages.

Of course there will be missionary messages with great challenge. Since invitations which have been extended have not yet received reply, announcement of names must await for a time.

The main guest speaker for the convention will be Dr. Stephen J. England, Dean of the College of the Bible, Phillips University, Enid, Oklahoma. Those who are familiar with Dean England's masterful New Testament Lectures entitled "The Apostolic Church" know what a spiritual feast of profound Bible studies and sermons await them.

Let it be understood that the Program Committee of the 98th Oregon Christian Missionary Convention is planning a program to enlist the enthusiastic interest of every Christian in Oregon. Classes, sermons and lectures will be designed to make effective the Gospel as revealed in Christ and recorded in the New Testament —Ross J. Griffeth, Chairman Program Committee, Oregon Christian Missionary Convention.

on to VICTORY in EVANGELISM!

The hightide of evangelism is between January 1 and Easter, April 9. Use this time to lift your resident membership through baptisms and transfers. Reach your Crusade goals!

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Preachers Parliament

CLEO W. BLACKBURN

Guest speaker and lecturer on the Northwest Preachers Parliament Program, April 25, 26 and 27 is Cleo W. Blackburn of Indianapolis, Indiana. Brother Blackburn is an ordained Christian minister, graduate of Butler University, and a distinguished social worker. He holds the position of superintendent of Flanner House, a Negro service and settlement house in Indianapolis, Often honored by his fellow citizens of Indianapolis, he holds a place of high honor and distinction among our brethren. His work was presented in a special article published in The Readers Digest something over a year ago. Northwest Christian College is highly honored to secure him as guest speaker and the preachers of the Northwest are due for a special treat from his lectures which will be given on New Testament teachings.

Mallory Avenue

There have been 114 additions to the Mallory Avenue Christian Church in the first 12 months in the new structure. Four life-work recruits have come forward during that same period. Attendance has increased 30% and receipts about 25%.

We will dedicate "The James Brown Memorial Chapel" in late March. The chapel, furnished with pews, altar, pulpit, drapes, and carpet, accomodates 60 persons for smaller devotional meetings and weddings.

Miss Naida Fishback, pastoral assistant at Tillamook, has accepted a call to Mallory as Secretary-Director, and will be on the field by April 10.

Twenty men will participate in Personal Evangelistic visitation, March 13 to 16. Hubert E. Sias, pastor.

N. C. C. Day

March 26 is to be Northwest Christian College Day in the churches of the Pacific Northwest. Most of the N.C.C. students and faculty members will be in one or more churches to present the needs of Northwest Christian College. In every possible instance, the churches are being asked to take a special offering for the college.

Why a special day? The answer is to be found in these facts: Donations to the "Bread and Butter" fund of N. C.C. are down 32 per cent from last year. They are down 48 per cent from two years ago. These donations to the General Fund, which pays running expenses, are vital to the ongoing of the college.

315 students are enrolled in N.C.C. during the Winter Term. Each of these three hundred fifteen pays less than half the cost of current expenses of the school as applied to the work each takes. When you give to the College you help the student.

Although faculty members at N.C.C. are more highly trained than most ministers of the area, their salaries are much below the average of the ministers. Faculty members do not object but if we are to meet even these low salaries, we must bring back donations to the previous level or higher.

March 26 is Northwest Christian College Day throughout the Northwest. Be sure an offering is taken in your church for the school and sent in so that the training of Christian workers can continue.

PRACTICUM

Miss Ruth Reynolds will lead a Religious Education Practicum again this year under the sponsorship of Northwest Christian College. The dates are April 29 through May 12. Training will be given to workers with children of Kindergarten, Primary and Junior Age.

Miss Dorothy Mitchell, Director of Christian Education at University Christian Church, Seattle, will conduct the class for Juniors and their leaders. Mrs. Lynette Rhay will have charge of the Primary workers.

All who are interested in enrolling in this Practicum should write to Northwest Christian College, Eugene, Oregon, as soon as possible. Provision will be made to help those from outside Eugene secure housing during the Practicum. College credit can be earned for the work. Leadership Training credits are also available.

J. H. POWELL

Word has come to us that J. H. Powell, minister of the church at Oakland, Oregon passed away about the middle of February. Details regarding his death will be given in our next issue.

A Parent Plan

In cooperation with our national Student Work Office, both Christian Houses are promoting the Parent Plan. A folder describing the need for and nature of church-sponsored student work is being sent to the parents of our preference list. Perhaps a word of encouragement from home will be the means of turning a given student churchward. Another feature is the suggestion that parents help to finance our student centers. Eighty percent of gifts are to be used by the center receiving them, and twenty percent goes to further such national student conferences as the one held recently in Des Moines, Iowa. Parents receiving letters are urged to read all the material carefully, and to show their interest by replying to whatever center operates in the college or university where their child is attending. It will mean a great deal to the student directors to get a word of encouragement from the parents of the students they try to reach for the church.

Corvallis Student House

On February 26, the following officers were elected for 1950 at the Christian House, the church home for students at Oregon State College. Emsley Rogers of Hermiston is the new president; Gale Staley, Newberg, vice-president; Lee Gerold, Corvallis, secretary; and Bob Mang, Portland, treasurer. The all male executive committee is well qualified for their offices, and this promises to be a spirited year for the work of Christ on the campus at O.S.C. The officers were duly installed on March 5, and have begun work on the program for the spring term. Any church desiring a deputation team for an evening or mid-week service using the above students or others, can make reservation for such a team by writing to Christian House, 2035 Monroe Street, Corvallis, Oregon. —W. R. Terbeek.

Eugene Christian House

During February the Christian House Student Fellowship was active in Religious Education Week on the Campus, when Dr. Charles Gilkey, formerly dean of the Chapel at the University of Chicago, was the featured speaker. At the opening dinner, our group was the largest delegation from any of the student centers with thirty-four present. The relatively small attendance at the main lectures by Dr. Gilkey has stimulated some constructive thinking on the part of all the religious organizations on the campus, out of which should come some drastic changes in the church approach to student life at the University of Oregon.

Mrs. Elliott

Three of our students have received campus honors of which we all are proud. Dave Swanson was elected president of the Campus Y.M.C.A. for next year, and Bob Biggs, secretary. Mary Alice Baker was elected to an office in the Campus Y.W.C.A.

Feeling the need for spiritual guideance, the current Sunday evening discussions are based on "Prayer". Outstanding ministers and professors are speaking on "When We Pray", "Unanswered Prayer", "Prayer and Scientific Law", "The Psychology of Prayer", and Corporate Prayer". The World Day of Prayer was observed on Friday, February 24th, with several students participating. Among those were Luther Cheo, China; Wah Chung, Hawaii; and Ann Martin, Alaska, Every Friday afternoon between that and Easter there will be a special service of prayer.

Initial steps have been taken to provide fellowship for the fifty married couples on the University campus, and the same number at Northwest Christian College. Jack and Ardie Naff are serving as co-chairmen of the new group until their organization is completed.

One of our guest speakers during the month was Emmet Gulley of the American Friends Service Committee who recently served in the Palestine area, where the Quakers have been administering to the Arab refugees. A Mountaineer Party featured colored pictures taken by Arthur and Ralph Johnson in the Grand Tetons. Who says our country has no Alps?

Church and N.C.C. groups are finding Christian House a good meeting place when regular activities at the House do not conflict. The Business Women's Class of the First Christian Church held its birthday celebration here, and the "Kellems Kids" from N.C.C. held their formal Valentine dinner.

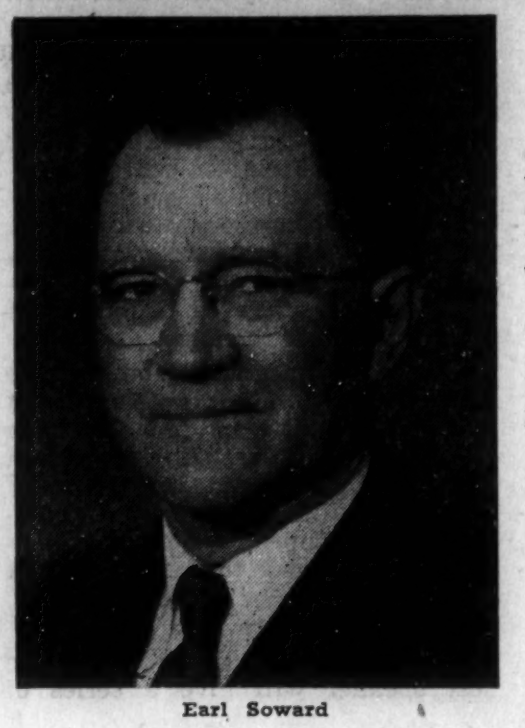
Mission Churches

In the fall of 1945, the Ninety and Nine men of Oregon sent Evangelists Willie White and Clifford Snyder to Burns. There were about sixteen souls banded together when Milton W. Bower came to take over the work on November 25, his first Sunday. During the next 26 months, the membership increased to 67.

Services were conducted in an old Theater building until May 1, 1948. The housing shortage had already forced the new pastor, Lloyd Whitford and the congregation to build a four room cottage. The basement of the County Court House was used for worship until the church could make the basement of the present structure useable.

The plumbing, plastering, balance of the wiring and flooring will be installed this spring and summer as fast as money comes in. We expect it will take about one more year after this to complete the building.

The present resident membership is about 75 and non-resident, 15. The average morning church attendance is about 45 and the Bible School for February, 1950 was 85.5, which is as large as any in the whole county. Earl L. Soward has been the pastor since August 1, 1949. The Oregon Christian Missionary Convention is still aiding the Burns church with $50.00 each month.



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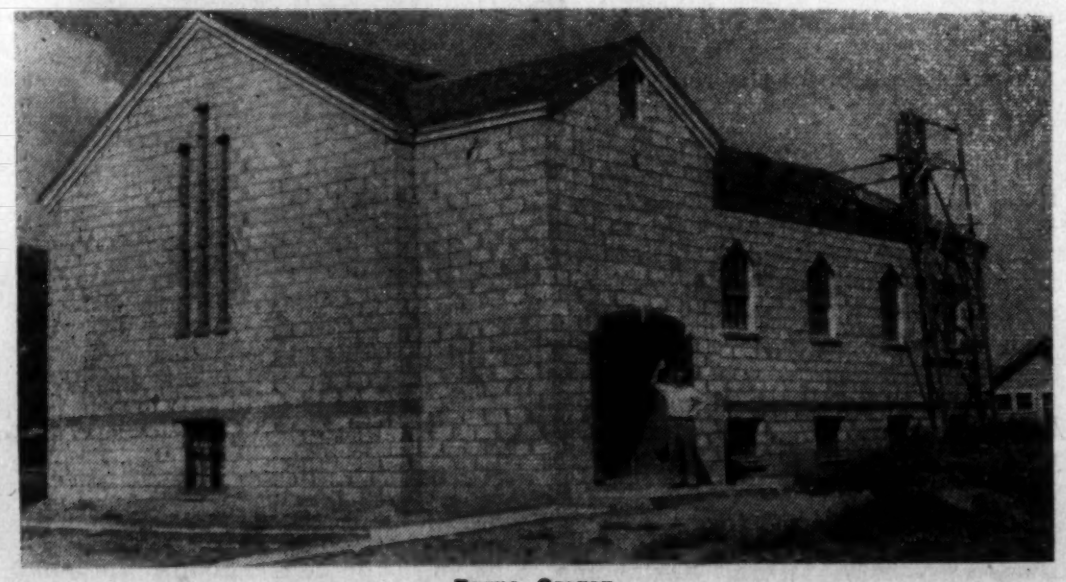

Burns, Oregon

Camp Merger Planned

At a convention of the Coos County churches at Coquille on February 20, the Ninety and Nine men of the Myrtle District held a business meeting in which they unanimously voted to send the boys of that district to Grayback Camp in 1950. Certain problems regarding the use of the grounds at Camp Myrtlewood (Bridge) indicated that this action would be for the best. Housing accomodations in the CCC barracks buildings at Grayback are ample for a large camp and undoubtedly the combined Grayback-Bridge Boys' Camp attendance will reach or exceed 100. Extra kitchen faculty help will be recruited to provide for the larger group. The Camp date is August 13-19.

Other Boys' Camp dates are Turner, July 23-29; Crescent Lake, July 30-August 5; Wi-Ne-Ma, July 30-August 5; Cove, August 6-12. A proposed new camp for 1950 in the Mid-Columbia District is still under consideration with a good camp site possibly available. Announcement concerning a decision on this camp will be made at an early date.

It is worthy of note that the Myrtle District men have turned over $200 of the $350 district goal for the State Ninety and Nine work. With the smallest constituency of any district, they have taken the lead in per capita giving. Well done! —E.P.D.

Christian Leaders For Mexico

Because college work does differ considerably from what one usually thinks of as missionary work, and because of our all too inadequate space, we have not included our colleges in our Direct Support columns.

However, we do want to speak of two college projects, which are missionary in a special sense. At Eagle Pass, Texas, is located Colegia Biblico, founded in 1945, "A Texas Corporation laboring by faith in behalf of the Churches of Christ on the Mexican Border." Faculty members are Harlan Cary, Vincent Aguilar, Paul Rathburn and Gordon Thompson. Unable to get permission from Mexican authorities to do missionary work in Mexico, personally; Brother Cary and his associates are doing the next best thing to achieve their aim - operating a training school on this side of the border, which students from Mexico attend. These go back to preach to their own people.

Some of our brethren are, or have been, donating time in the construction of buildings for the school. In a recent letter, Brother Cary says: "Anyone who knows the building trades knows that the labor bill is a big item in any house. The buildings will reduce the operating expense of Colegio Biblico, make the lives of the teachers more pleasant and efficient, and help make this institution financially secure for a depression. I believe the brethren know a good deal when they see one, and will respond accordingly." He continues: "This is just a statement telling of the fine opportunity that we now have and to let you know that it would be a shame to lay off FREE LABOR because we could not supply them with nails and beans. God has answered our prayers to send us laborers. Now we are praying for the food and nails to keep the laborers busy."

A second, similar work, "Mexican Bible Seminary", is to be opened this fall at Nogales, Arizona, by Mr. and Mrs. Gerald D. Bowlin. Brother Bowlin taught for two years at Colegio Biblico, Eagle Pass. Although the two schools are almost one thousand miles apart, there will be a close cooperation in the training of native Mexican evangelists. During January, Brother Bowlin took time out from his travels in the interest of Mexico Bible Seminary, to substitute for Paul Rathburn, of Colegio Biblico, while he attended the Evangelistic Rally at San Jose, California. The Bowlins are in need of living-link support. They can be addressed— Mr. and Mrs. Gerald D. Bowlin, Mexican Bible Seminary, Box 1530, Nogales, Arizona. —J. F. C.

THE MAIN DRIVE

Tithing (the offering of at least 10% of one's income to God) is an act of worship. Someone has said that worship is self-giving to God. A man's money is a part of himself, his brain, his brawn, his energy. When he gives money he gives part of himself back to God. His tithe is not merely answering a temporarily financial call; it is given as an act of worship. The **Main Drive**, therefore, is to secure, not the tithe, but the tither; not the gift, but the giver; not the money, but the man; not the possession, but the possessor. Let us each use God's method for the carrying on of God's work. —The Church Scroll.

Silverton Men Busy

The Ninety and Nine Men of the Silverton Church have developed a real surge of activity and put on an outstanding father and son banquet on Feb. 19. Not wanting to take life too easy, they entertained the North Willamette District meeting the following Monday evening, Feb. 27. On that occasion 83 men were present to enjoy the fellowship at the tables and in the following program. Special music featured the latter with numbers by the Silverton choir, the Liberty girls' trio, and Leighton Dashiell of Dallas.

Alton Salsberry of Dallas led the opening devotional and Harold Stapleton presided over the business meeting. Offerings and pledges amounting to some $105.00 were received by district treasurer Wm. Tanner. An invitation of the Salem First Church to entertain the April rally was accepted. Kenneth Johnston, Dallas minister, gave a challenge on Christian stewardship of life. —E.P.D.

Ruth Towne Returns

We all appreciated very much the fine service rendered by Miss Ruth Towne last summer. She will be with us for six weeks doing a special piece of work in Christian Education. She will teach a class during the Turner Convention and be on the faculty of the East Oregon Adult Conference. Plans are not yet completed for the other four weeks, but she will likely lead in a Bible School clinic and conference in four areas of the state. We feel more can be accomplished if she remains in a field most of the week and invite churches of the area to send in their workers. If there are churches that would like to invite her in for this special type of service, make your requests to the state office. Churches should take care of her entertainment while on the field and help with her transportation from one part of the state to another. —C.H.A.

The Beaverton Home

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high praise for the beauty of the new building and grounds, but expressed her joy at being home again. Mr. Smith stopped over at Denver and enjoyed a visit in the Colorado Children's Home where some 80 children are being given a chance to find their place in life.

All but four of our twenty Board members were in attendance at the February meeting held at the Home, at which time Dr. Carlson took pictures of the group and brought greetings from the National Board of Trustees. Those who attended for the first time were Mrs. Bertha Gumm, Tekoa, Washington; Dr. Lloyd Masemore, Olympia; and Horace K. Tapp, Yakima.

Dr. J. Eric Carlson, general secretary of the NBA; was in the state for 10 days, during which time he was a special speaker in the interest of the Crusade, and also spent 3 days in Eugene in conference with NCC student pastors. A complimentary dinner was given the young preachers in co-operation with the college. The colored film of the Home was shown and the plan of benevolence in our brotherhood was explained.

Guest speakers at chapel services held at the Home during January and February included: Portland Central Church groups, George W. Springer of Beaverton, Freeman Yardley of Sellwood, J. D. Hardin of Forest Grove, Ray Smith of NWCH, and Dr. Carlson of the NBA. Several of the above conducted two services and on one Sunday the weather was so stormy no one could get out so the staff conducted their own service.

Mrs. Irene Wirt is enjoying her vacation in California. A group picture of the Home staff was taken just before Mrs. Wirt left and it will appear in "The Visitor" at a later time. Our "carpet fund" is about at a standstill with $298.50 in it as of March first.

Another need for the Home is a clothes dryer. A family of 26 plus several employees can produce a "right sizeable washing", and about every day is wash day. Imagine the problem of drying all these things on lines in the laundry room during our normal winter and spring weather. This would make a wonderful project for some class group or even an individual as a memorial to a loved one.

Christmas offerings are still coming in, though some are smaller than those of last year. However, in spite of the building campaigns and a recession in some lines, the response is encouraging and so far five Oregon churches have already reached "Front Line". They are Roseburg, Pendleton, Eugene First, Portland First and Portland Central. Others are not too far behind. We can use some fresh apples and potatoes at this time, too, if there are those who have surpluses in storage. —Ray C. Smith, Field Representative.

Women Plan

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that every woman will take advantage of unbounded opportunities for study, worship, and service, that it provides.

The plan developed out of a desire on the part of the women of the local churches to recapture if possible, the old zeal and passion that inspired the missionary women during the days of the Christian Women's Board of Missions. Many women's organizations across the nation have lost sight of the missionary emphasis, the very thing that prompted their coming into being in the first place. Last January, a meeting of state presidents and state secretaries was held in Turkey Run State Park in Indiana to study existing organization with the idea in mind of formulating new plans if it seemed wise. Prior to this time, surveys were sent out to local churches all over the nation, asking for suggestions and criticisms. As a result of these surveys and other studies, it was felt that a new plan of work, a new name and new materials were needed. It has been a very democratic procedure all the way along. After months of contacts by mail with the local churches, the plan was ready to be presented to the churches. Therefore, our State Women's Board planned the Portland meeting in order to give opportunity for representatives of local churches to hear it in its present form. Many changes will no doubt be made before it is completed.

New constitutions for local organizations, manuals and other helpful materials will soon be available to all groups. A careful study will be made by the different women's organizations and by the Women's State Board before the plan is adopted. Worship was thought to be such an important part of Christian living that the position of worship chairman will be an elective office. Worship is above, through and around every phase of the plan. It is so important that in preparation for the meetings at Turkey Run and for the meeting in Portland, suggested daily devotional studies were prepared and sent out to the women so that they could be ready in heart and mind for the meeting.—ELB.

Women Attend Gathering at Mallory Avenue

What Is State Missions Doing?

When some people read the Oregon Christian they ask, "What is State Missions doing? Well, it is a good question for some people do not realize the scope of our work. It doesn't center in a certain building in a certain location, but is scattered over the entire state. B. Ross Evans is in meetings continually and is part of State Missions, so where ever Ross is, it is State Missions at work. When you read the reports from Milwaukie, Seaside, Culver and Burns it is State Missions at work, for these are our mission churches receiving support from our state budget. When you hear about the new Southeast Church in Portland and the saving of the work at Liberty at Salem it is State Missions at work for our two pastor-evangelists are at work in these fields and get financial support from our state budget. Joint loan payments by the churches of the area around Salem and Portland on the Parkrose and Liberty projects were made possible by the responsibility assumed by the State Board working in relationship with the Board of Church Extension. Any church in the state that has ever borrowed from the Permanent Fund to help them in an emergency is receiving help from State Missions. Every church visited by the state secretary and every conference held is State Missions at work. The Oregon Christian which you are reading just now is made possible by State Missions. It is true certain portions of the paper are written and paid for by participating groups. But the state office assumes the responsibility of assembling the material and editing it and also counts out, wraps, addresses and mails to the churches. The full responsibility carried by the state office takes about one fourth of the office secretary's time. Her salary is paid by State Missions and not by the groups who write certain articles each month. State Missions is busy preaching, teaching and serving throughout the state every day in the year. —C.H.A.

Judge Long Guest

The St. Johns Ninety and Nine Men held their annual father and son banquet and program on February 13, with over 150 present. The ladies did their part in serving a proper dinner to satisfy that many male appetites. The cub scouts prepared the table favors and decorations and also served cake in honor of the 40th anniversary of scouting.

Dr. D. S. Swart, president of the men, saw to it that every man and boy was kept well entertained and song leader Maurice Adimson had a considerable share in the latter department in spite of a bad cold. Action choruses warmed up the group and a superdramatic production of "The Rabbit in the Woods" received a big hand. Earl Moore sang two solo numbers by special request for the occasion.

Howard Cole, minister, presented Judge Donald Long as the guest speaker of the evening. Judge Long commended the activity of the men in sharing in fellowship and leadership of the boys of the church in wholesome activities. He pointed to the lack of such interest in the many boys who have come before him in his years in the juvenile and domestic relations courts. —E.P.D.

South Idaho

Mrs. Edna L. Burke, Executive Secretary of women's missionary work for Oregon and South Idaho, spent February 20-22 in South Idaho assisting Miss Dreese, National Director of Adult work in the Department of Missionary Organizations in the presentation of Chistian Women's Fellowship. Meetings were held in Caldwell, Buhl and Pocatello. Three eastern Oregon churches, LaGrande, Nyssa and Ontario sent delegates to the Caldwell meeting because it was closer than Portland.

While there, Mrs. Burke attended a State Board meeting in Twin Falls to help in the completion of plans for the South Idaho convention to be held in Pocatello, May 2-4. She had a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Warner, well known former residents of Oregon. For a number of years Mr. Warner held pastorates in Hermiston and The Dalles. At the pesent time he is leading in the erection of a new church building in Boise to take care of a residential district that has grown up in recent years. Some of the substantial members of the First church in Boise have affiliated with the new church, a worthy example for some other large churches in the northwest. —E.L.B.

Per Capita

The Christian Foundation quotes a highly documented booklet by C. Aubrey Hearn, on cigarettes; 388 billion used in America in 1949; 17 per day; per capita cost is $62.00; per capita religious giving, $24.00. —The Christian Foundation.

Astoria Installs New Pastor

Sunday, February nineteenth, was a high day in the life of the First Christian Church of Astoria, Oregon. Ross J. Griffeth, president of Northwest Christian College, was present at the morning service to deliver the message and to install the new pastor, Chas. H. Lemmex. The attendance; the solemnity of the installation service; the special music by pastor John F. Schmid and wife of the Seaside Christian Church and by choir director, Mr. Edward Opdycke; the spirit of the congregation—all were significant of the occasion and indicative of the forward look of the entire group. The Astoria Church worships in a splendid new building and is in a position to make a real contribution to the work of the Master.

In the afternoon a public reception was held in the church parlors, in honor of the new pastor and his wife. Mr. Maurice Wilson, an elder in the church and chairman of the program committee, presided at a brief program in which Mrs. Jean Mitchell sang, "Beside Still Waters". Representatives of various churches and community organizations brought words of welcome. Refreshments were served and all present counted the day as one worthy of a real place in the "Hall of Memory".

During the first month of this new ministry there have been eleven additions to the church — five of which were by "Confession of Faith". Chas. H. Lemmex, pastor.

SEASIDE

A two week evangelistic meeting closed February 10 with Brother Tom C. Fair, evangelist and Paul Conlombe, song leader. In spite of the cold weather, ice, and snow, the services were well attended. Toward the close of the meeting there was standing room only. Four saved by decision for Christ, but not all have been baptized yet due to no baptistry and sickness. Time only will tell of the great spiritual impetus given to Christians in Seaside. Nearly the whole church came forward some time during the meeting for rededication.

Since November 1st, 1949, six have been added to the church, four by baptism, and two by statement. Sunday morning service attendance is about the same. The evening service has increased in the last year from an average attendance of about eight to twenty-five.

Milton

Brother Harry Baird of the Walla Walla Christian Church is holding three weeks evangelistic services in the Milton Church. We have had a very fine response and during the first week, there were seven additions, six of which were by baptism. Brother Baird is a dynamic speaker and his sermons have inspired us all. One night we had a Father and son banquet and the following week, a Mother and Daughter banquet, served by the men.

Sunday, February 26, at 2 p.m., we are dedicating our new Hammond organ. The organ was given by the Harold Lamb family in memory of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Stone, by Mrs. Charles Berolzutimer, in memory of Mrs. Laura Johnson, and by the Ladies Aid of the church. Chimes were given by Mrs. Addie Wells, in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Ronsome Wells. The organist for the afternoon is Mr. Earl Taylor, organist at radio station KOIN, Portland.

"A Great Church"

"An exchange quotes the following as to what makes a great church. (1) Not soft seats and subdued light, but strong, courageous leadership, past and future; (2) Not the sweet tones of the organ, but sweet personalities that somehow reflect Jesus; (3) Not the tall towers with chimes and bell, but a lofty vision of its people; (4) Not a big budget, but big hearts in big people who love and serve; (5) Not the amount of money received, but the amount of service rendered in Jesus' name; (6) Not the large membership, but God's presence and power and direction; (7) Not what it has done in the past, but what it is doing now and will do tomorrow." —The Christian Foundation.

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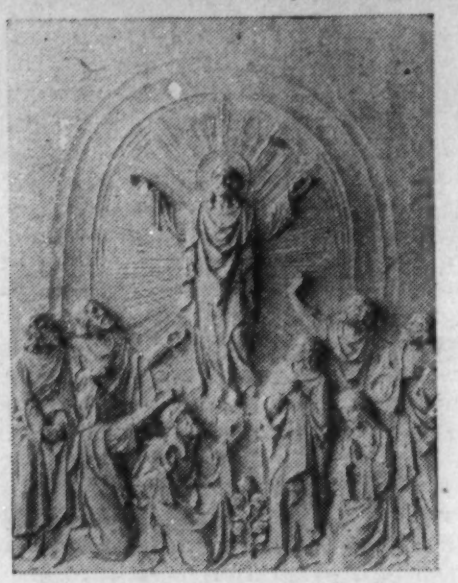

Easter Meetings

Most faculty members and students at Northwest Christian College will be sharing in evangelistic meetings during the pre-Easter week. While a number of assignments have been arranged, there is still talent left. If you want assistance during the pre-Easter week, please let Northwest Christian College know at once.

The Book Of Revelation

The Christian Teaching Mission becomes a book of revelation to every church that cooperates in it fully. Kenneth Knox, pastor at Roseburg, writes a very interesting comment on the value of the Mission there. He states that they discovered by their own evaluation that the church was only about 50% efficient in outreach and worship. What is true of Roseburg is true of most of the churches in Oregon. No doubt many will fall far below, for Roseburg is carrying on an agressive program. Through the census they discovered at least 800 people who have Christian Church preference and yet are not active in the program of the church. The Christian Teaching Mission is a real revelation to the church as to the effectiveness of her program, and to the interest the community has in the church. It will be interesting to watch Roseburg gird herself for reaching this unreached mass in her city for Christ. I wish every church in the state could experience one of these Missions, and then set out with the vision of Christ, going into the highways and byways and compel them to come in. With the fine leadership and good spirit in the Roseburg church we are expecting great things to happen. —C.H.A.

"Opening Doors To God"

Youth from all over the State will be gathering at the First Christian Church in Eugene, on March 31 - April 1, to attend the Youth Planning Commission. The Theme of the Commission is, "Opening Doors to God." A Commission was held last year at Twin Rocks with approximately 100 youth in attendance. It was very successful, but it is hoped that the one this year will be outstanding. at least two young people from each age group in your church should begin planning for this Commission. The registration fee is $3.00, which covers meals and lodging. Youth Advisors are also urged to attend. If your Youth Group has not received word about the Commission, ask your pastor, or write to the State Office.

Central Point

Nine were added in a meeting with G. Fred Hoy of Inglewood, California as Evangelist. Seven were by baptism, with one recruit for the ministry. Thirty-six tithers were signed. In spite of impassible roads and bad weather, it was the best attended meeting held here in several years. Monday night Calling Program continues on indefinitely. L. H. Camp, minister.

Kern Park

Kern Park rejoiced to see ten additions last Sunday and three on the Sunday previous. We are encouraged with this response following a calendar year with sixty-nine additions. We are planning to cooperate in the Portland Week of Visitation Evangelism with a special membership day on March 17th.

Youth Work is growing with good expressional meetings for Juniors, Intermediate and High School Ages. The Juniors have a choir and participate with singing and scripture recitations in the morning service once each month. The Intermediate and High School groups take part in the evening services twice each month. We have a winning basketball team; they played with Mallory in the semi-finals in the Portland Christian Church League.

We plan to celebrate our Annual Building Advancement Day on the Sunday after Easter. Dr. Ross J. Griffeth and Elery Parrish will speak and the Master's Men Quartet from N.C.C. will sing. Tentative plans for the new building have been approved by the church. Working plans are being drawn up by the architect. The Building Date depends upon fluctuating costs and the giving of the folk. We now have more than $48,000.00 on hand.

The Kern Park Club from N.C.C. are to have charge of the evening service in their home church on March 26th with a special offering and a decision service for prospective students for the College. G. R. Whipple, pastor.

Conferees Gather

On February 24, the youth of Western Oregon gathered at the Christian Church at Albany for their mid-winter conference party. 104 conferees turned out for the meeting. Walter Naff acted as Toastmaster for the banquet. Musical selections were given by some of the Albany youth. The next conference party is to be held in Eugene, the date to be announced later.

Lebanon

Lebanon is just completing the brick work on the tower of their new church. For the month of February they report three baptisms and three transfers of membership. The Bible School averaged 331 for the entire month. — Lynnton Elwell, minister.

Portland Central

Central is announcing a real Youth Evangelistic Meeting for the Youth of the Greater Portland Area, during the week preceding Easter, April 2nd to 9. Young people are heading the committees for the affair. They are doing the work and are truly enthusiastic about it. Jim Smith, a Senior at N.C.C. will be the speaker. Jim is a very capable young man with power and poise in the pulpit. Fine musical talent is being lined up for this notable week.

Adults will be welcome, but this is definitely to be for the Youth. The services will start at 7:30 each evening. Ralph Holcomb, Youth Director.